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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

NAIROBI FOR HAVERKAMP

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, UK, US

SUBJECT: U.S. SUPPORT FOR UK IN SIMONSTOWN

REF: LUSAKA 2281 (NOTAL)

1. EMBASSY WOULD BE PLEASED TO HOLD PRESS BACKGROUNDER AS
SUGGESTED REFTTEL IF DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZES. WE HAVE HAD
ONE OR TWO INQUIRIES FROM AMERICAN JOURNALISTS ON THE

U.S. "ENCOURAGEMENT" ASPECT OF THE SIMONSTOWN CONTROVERSY
AND HAVE RESPONDED ALONG LINES OF EASUM "KNOW OF NO SUCH
ENCOURAGEMENT" FORMULA BASED ON GUIDANCE ALREADY AVAILABLE
TO US ON U.S. POLICY TOWARDS MILITARY COOPERATION WITH
SOUTH AFRICA.

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2. DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTED TO ADVISE US SOONEST IF WE SHOULD PROCEED WITH BACKGROUNDER. WE ALSO REQUEST ANY ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE ON ENCOURAGEMENT ASPECT FOR USE IN BACKGROUNDER. EARLIEST FEASIBLE DAY FOR BACKGROUNDER WOULD BE MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4 BUT WE FEEL WE WOULD HAVE MUCH BETTER CHANCE OF GETTING TOP LINE CORRESPONDENTS IF WE HELD THIS EVENT ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5.

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